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McGILL LOSING PROFS

by Chris Pomlecko

Deficits due to dropping enrolment at McGill have caused two problems for the university: a loss of funding from the provincial government and, naturally, a loss of revenue from students' fees.

To compensate for an anticipated 1978-79 loss of \$1.7 million, the Faculties of Arts and Science have opted for a programme of non-replacement for departing teachers. Said Robert Vogel, Dean of Arts, "virtually every department is losing one staff member, with the exception of the German Department which has hired a new chairman." Vogel added, however, that "if anything, the Science Faculty is even harder hit." If the loss of a teacher would seriously damage a department, continued Vogel, "temporary replacements will be hired on a one-year basis."

This system of phasing out the positions of teachers who have voluntarily retired, resigned or died, is preferable, said Vogel, to firing people on the staff; and is "killing a fairly large deficit."

The English Department seems especially hard-hit by the non-replacement system, losing five professors over a two-year period. But, said Dr. Vogel, since it is by far the largest staffed department at the University, English is more able to absorb these losses.

Peter Ohlin, chairman of the English Department, concurs with the necessity of the cuts, but is worried about their effect on the Department.

Especially hard hit by the cuts are the Drama, and Film and Communications majors of the English programme. The loss of David Savren in the Drama Department will leave only three full-time professors, and will greatly reduce the course offering. "It would be

false advertising," said Ohlin, "to offer an honours programme and even a major in drama." Currently Ohlin is restructuring the programme.

In the Communications Department the situation is somewhat different but equally discouraging, said Ohlin. Many of the teachers in the department are part-time workers, who were paid by a contingency budget which the English Department had, from unpaid leaves of absence and sabbaticals. The Department would use this money to hire part time help.

This year, however, with the budget cuts, contingency money is no longer controlled by an individual department, but flows back to the Faculty of Arts, to be used as seen fit. English, says Ohlin, is "the most popular programme," so it apparently does not need all of the contingency funds it produces, and the money is given less heavily-enrolled departments.

So the local specialists and part-time technical teachers cannot be hired and the Film and Communications Department is also being restructured, more along theoretical lines. "A department which once looked 'very promising,'" said Ohlin, "is in danger of being killed off by the budgetary programme."

In the literature programme the staff cuts have meant, the obliteration of a comprehensive study of American literature, due mostly to circumstance. Two specialists in the field, Peter Burton and Donald Rubin, are leaving, and will not be replaced. Although, Ohlin says, the remaining members of the faculty can "pitch in" to temporarily keep the courses open, the future of the study looks very doubtful.

Report:

Attacks tenure rules

by Stuart Carre

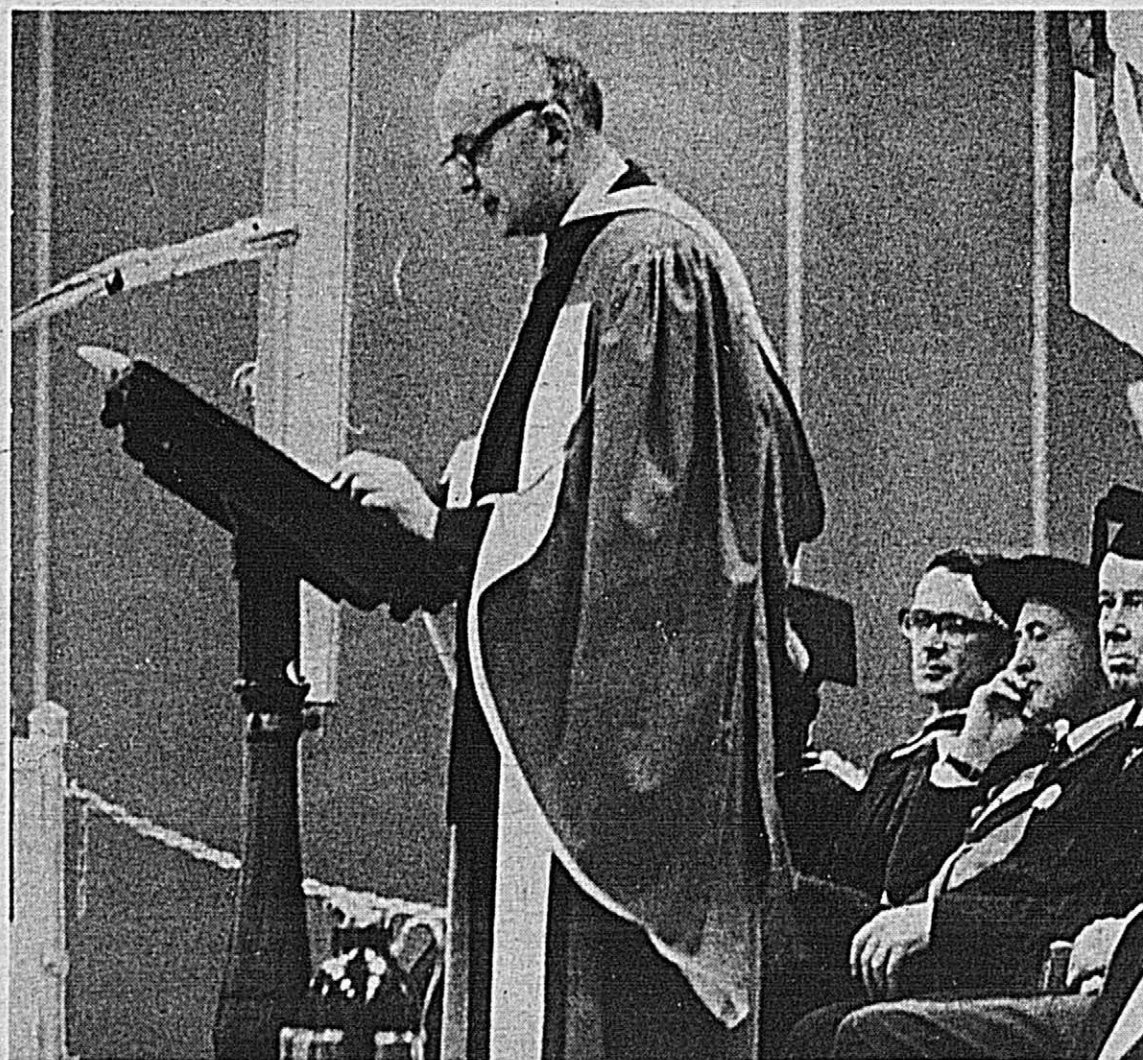
Tenure regulations at McGill are the worst among Canadian universities, according to a recently completed report for the Canadian Association of University Teachers (CAUT) and the McGill Association of University Teachers (MAUT).

The Rosenbluth Report, released March 6, comes at a time when increasing cutbacks in education and falling student enrolment are slashing numbers of faculty and staff at the university. When the cuts hit, untenured faculty will likely be

the first to go.

The report criticizes the vagueness of the university's tenure regulations, which now could force a professor to teach as long as 21 years before being tenured, saying the regulations lead to a 'two class' faculty in the university. "There is a widespread conviction at McGill that it is easier to meet budget cutbacks by non-renewal of probationary appointments than by dismissal of tenured faculty."

The only real justification for tenure according to the CAUT



The austere garb of professorial wisdom went out years ago. Decent tenure regulations are also out of fashion at McGill. According to a recently completed report for the Canadian Association of University Teachers (CAUT), tenure regulations at McGill are the worst among Canadian universities.

Nfld:

Students protest cuts

by John Herbert

Students in yet another province have taken to the streets to protest government policies hurting the quality of their education.

In Newfoundland, almost

half of Memorial University's 5800 students marched April 12 to protest cuts in funding to the university, and a new aid policy requiring students to borrow greater amounts of money before they receive non-repayable grants.

The march on the provincial legislature brought promises from Premier Frank Moores and Education Minister Wallace House that they would set up talks with the students. But last week the government announced the talks would deal with anything the students were worried about—except cutbacks and the loans plan.

The cuts, announced with the beginning of April, amount to half the increase requested by the university to maintain existing programs. Funding for the university, the only one in the province, will increase only 4.3 per cent for the coming year, despite double digit inflation.

The money shortages mean

valuable community programmes will be dropped and teachers and staff laid off. And the loans change means university will be an even less attainable goal for young people in a province where youth unemployment officially stands at almost 30 per cent.

The students also protested in spite of the efforts of their students' council executive "to quash any action," according to a member of the student newspaper staff in an interview with the Daily April 16.

"As one external vice-president said 'It's better to let it all blow over rather than stand up and say what you really believe,'" he said.

The students have instead rallied behind an ad hoc committee, Students Opposing Education Cutbacks, which was established two years ago and revived this spring when it became apparent the council executive "were only interested

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Editorial

Not your usual valedictory:

A scrap of parchment

by Ron Fleischman

"The New Aristocracy will consist exclusively of hermits, bums and permanent invalids. The Rough Diamond, the consumptive whore, the bandit who is good to his mother, the epileptic girl who has a way with animals will be the heroes and heroines of the New Tragedy when the general, the statesman and the philosopher have become the butt of every farce and satire."

—W.H. Auden, 1944.

You who are about to graduate are heirs to disillusion, and so at what may be an ebb-tide in the history of academia. Enrolments are decreasing, the credibility of post-secondary education is suspect, and one no longer needs a university degree to operate a dishwashing machine. The time has come to consider the fate of the university, whether or not it has a role in human society as something better than basic training for managers and technicians in support of the status quo and the awful mess this has produced.

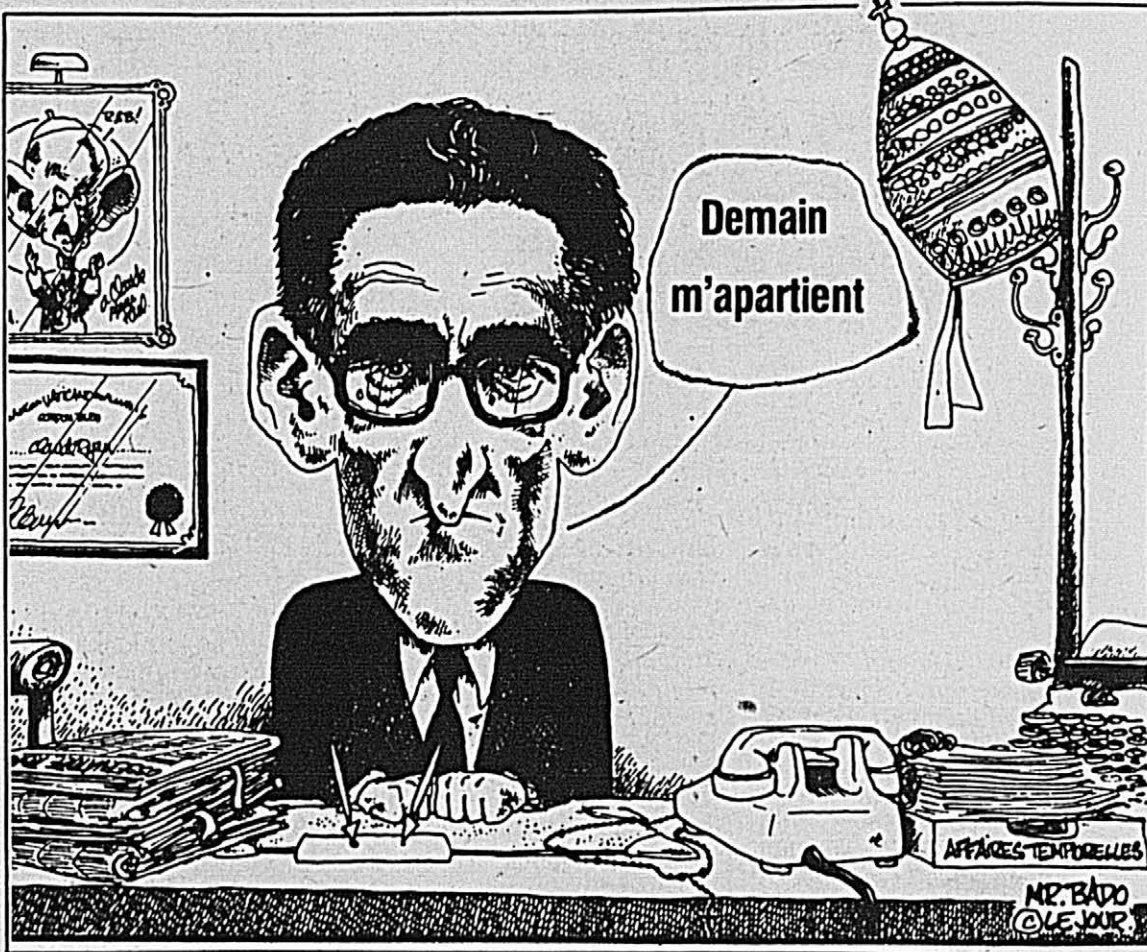
As I view it, the most important event in human history is man's conquest of outer space, not so much for its technology but that it enabled the privileged astronauts to get a broad perspective of humanity as being very much alone on a small planet with finite resources for survival. They wondered aloud if there is really any intelligent life down there. With all of our learning, with all of our technology, approximately 75% of this planet's human population remains on the verge of starvation, improperly clothed and housed, while the remainder are overfed, play at war games and politics and waste the limited natural resources needed for the survival of all. Humanity is today nowhere near the ideal of a homogeneous mass sensibly planning its continued survival; rather it is, despite its centuries of "higher learning," a hostile, divided mass stupidly bent upon its own rapid extinction, a real and present danger today more than at any time in recorded history.

The trend toward civilization, especially in the West, achieved its apex during the 19th-century Victorian era. Profundity of thought (in some cases a pretense, I suppose) in literature, music and social comment were hallmarks of this epoch despite the remnants of feudalism and military adventurism. The trend faltered and began its reverse with the Edwardian years and accelerated the downhill slide with two world wars, in which artisans of every type perished and with them their arts and crafts. The scars of these two orgasms of slaughter remain with us: no originality of thought, a false humanism tied to political strings, no arts and crafts worthy of serious attention, and the substitution of music with the screaming madnesses and beating of wardrums by drugged kids, the unwanted, unloved offspring of postwar hedonism, revelling in filth, noise and sexual abuse. Universities have become places where scholarship is discouraged, employees mistreated, professors forced to commit suicide and students coached in the dubious art of money-grabbing. Everyone, man, woman and child, is being primed for the eventual holocaust. Whether or not this will be visited upon us depends on our determination, or lack of it, to control those who play about with deadly atomic, bacteriological, chemical and genetic "toys" (surely they are mad).

Here is where the sciences (so-called) of economics, sociology and politics have failed. They have made a mystique out of what should be commonsense, and have nothing in common with scientific methodology. They are little better than academic humbug, yet are taken seriously. Professional economists ground out by the universities have plush jobs advising governments how to "run the economy," always with the same futile results. They couldn't box their way out of an inflated paper bag, let alone an inflated economy.

Man is an economic and social animal. There are six principal factors necessary for continued survival of humanity, and these cannot be trifled with much longer: free access to natural resources, conservation and recycling, judicious use of dangerous substances and technology, equitable distribution of the necessities for survival (wealth), freedom of movement about the planet, and a viable cultural identity. There is no space here to elaborate on all of these save for a passing comment on the first and fourth items, with the others hardly requiring much comment. **Free access to natural resources:** Where people are divided up into nations and smaller enclaves there is this tendency to deny others access to resources not found elsewhere, except in exchange for a form of ransom. This is one of the principal causes of war. **Equitable distribution of (wealth):** Billions of words have

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Letters

Yes but which Long March is Robinson going to make?

To the Daily:

As is the case with all of her usually outstanding feature pieces, I read Jennifer Robinson's article "Women's Liberation: Tied to fickle economy" (McGill Daily, Wednesday, April 12, 1978) with much relish. Having been denounced as a "bourgeois feminist" by Robinson on more than one occasion, I was anxious to gain further insight as to which brand of feminism it is that I should be adhering to. Unfortunately, after reading the article I am still not sure whether I should be a Marxist Feminist or an Other (a much more accurate description for the divergent strains of thought and groups which Robinson is prone to lump under the general label "bourgeois").

On the other hand, Robinson does not want to see women exploited. On the other, she does not want women simply to work towards becoming exploiters. Good so far. The confusion starts to grow in my mind when Robinson quotes Simone de Beauvoir as stating that, despite the recent growth of socialism in a few countries (and near socialism, creeping socialism, state capitalism, socialism in name only, or whatever you want to call it, in several others) "women the world over are still faced with the double burden of their jobs and the responsibility of maintaining a home—cooking, shopping, housework, etc." Robinson then goes on to argue that "although she (de Beauvoir) denies a connection between the coming of socialism and the emancipation of

women, her socialist background shines through".

Well maybe de Beauvoir still is a Marxist even if she has renounced the theory that all women have to do is win the big one and then all their problems will be solved. That doesn't really matter. What I want to know is, if Robinson ever gets out of her Marxist armchair to join the fray will she fall in line behind SOS Daycare, Wages for Housework and other such M-L and Trot groups or will she join all those bourgeois women who are organizing daycare centers; abortion referral clinics; campaigns to amend marriage, rape, abortion and other sexist laws; to have the ERA approved; to get more women into public and public-financed offices; and generally to improve and equalize the economic, social and political lot of women? In short, is Robinson a crank or a feminist?

Raymond Masleck
ex-Editor-in-Chief
The Georgian

Ed Note: Well... let the world know—she's a crank.

Of Principals and principles
To the Daily:

Who will get The Job? Eleven men and two women are deliberating. Will it be a real search? Will it be some empty ritual? Will The List be long, but the decision has been taken? Does it really matter? Who still cares? We know, rather too well, some of the candidates. They have been running for The Job for years—predatory bunch that they are. It has always been a motley crew, trying to do their best, but it has always eluded them. Like the Principal, they are tired. A real change is needed. But will there be one?

McGill is like the Rock of Gibraltar. Solid, certain and steadfast. We can be sure that the best candidate will not win. It is as sure as gravity. The McGill Law. And will the choice be made in the stillness of the summer? Anyway, who cares any longer? As long as we get paid twice a month; as long as they don't give us the sack; as long as they don't run off with our pensions. One VP was

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Althusser:

Where is the real Marx?

by Emil Leonard

Many have attempted to produce a definitive elucidation of Marxian theory. However, few can rival the intensive undertaking begun by French philosopher Louis Althusser. Not since the fertile pre-Stalinist era of Lenin, Lukacs, and Luxembourg has Marxism received as rigorous a study as that provided by Althusser.

Faced with the difficulty of freeing the real Marx from three decades of Stalinist petrification, Althusser emerges with a remarkable original "reading" of Marx. In identifying the conceptual framework implicit in Marx's mature works, Althusser has performed the important task of reconstructing the precise mechanism of the Marxian dialectic from the fragments left over by years of Marxist-Leninist Orthodoxy.

The critical elements of this reconstruction should be of note to students, for whom Marxism refers to the repressive features of Soviet-style régimes and the corresponding theoretic

years before European Communist parties can divest themselves of a retrograde Stalinist heritage. For the present time, a provisional move towards resurrecting authentic Marxian concepts should suffice lest we allow the vulgarisation of Marx to persist. Stalin's death twenty-five years ago did not end the sclerosis implicit in his rule. Rather, European communist parties remained as dogmatic and orthodox as ever, as did their official "philosophers". The French Communist Party (PCF) proved no exception, for it was not until an obscure Parisian philosophy professor, Louis Althusser, began to publish his seminal essays that a serious theoretical challenge was posed to Stalinist Orthodoxy.

A Party member since the days of the French Resistance, Althusser culminated years of assiduous study of Marx's texts with the publication of "On the Young Marx" (1961) and "Contradiction and Overdetermination" (1962) in PCF journals. That he was permitted to voice

amongst Communist and non-Communists alike. Indeed, Althusser was assailed variously as a "Neo-Stalinist" (by conservative philosophers), as an "Elitist" (by ultra-left Trotskyite and Luxembourglan groups), and as a "structuralist deviationist" by hard-line Communists.

Despite these contradictory evaluations the Althusserian reading of Marx remains very much the complex, detailed, and thoroughly analytical exegesis it was intended to be.

Althusser commences by criticising the notion that the Marx of *Capital* (1867) is ideologically equivalent to the Marx of the 1844 *Manuscript*. The adherents of this identification stress the concepts of "alienation" and the corresponding notion of the essence of man found in Marx's early writings. Objectively, this Humanist standpoint of the individual and the philosophy of man (as opposed to the mature Marxist philosophy of class struggle) is totally contrary to authentic Communist Party goals.

The history of Social-Democratic parties has been one of the rejection of class struggle in favour of the socialist-humanist ideology of the individual. In the 1844 *Manuscripts*, the problematic, i.e. the context in which Marx's theoretical discussion is situated, is that of a Philosophy of Man in which the individual is the subject of history rather than a class of individuals. Only in 1845 do we find Marx breaking with this problematic, adopting in its place the theory of class struggle, the theory of the different structural forces at work in the social formation i.e. historical materialism.

Althusser's objections to the ideology of "socialist humanism" are impressive: that this view tends to embrace the concept of reification (objectification) mystifies the inner dynamic found in the social relations of production. The 1844 *Manuscripts* treat objectification as that process which precedes the individual's reappropriation of his/her "alienated" essence (i.e. that objects have come to dominate the individual, reversing the original relationship in Nature). Opposed to this formulation stands *Capital*, where Marx reutilises the term in reference to money—but one should not confuse the "thing", money, with its "concept", use-value. Individuals are not dominated by the "thing" money, but by those who wield the power over money and other objects—the means of production.

The Pre-Marxian Ideology of reification and alienation fails to comprehend the profound "rupture", as Althusser terms it, in Marx's intellectual development that occurs in 1845 with the famous *Theses on Feuerbach*. The transition is one from an idealist to a materialist conception of history.

In 1845 Marx breaks with the idealist philosophies which pose as its Subject, Man or the State (founded on the mythical homo oeconomicus), and



Instead formulates a theory of history and politics based not on the essence of Man, but on the different levels of human activity—economics, politics, ideology and their articulation in a given index of efficacy within the social formation.

In short, Marx begins the long trek to *Capital* on the foundation of a materialist theory of society whose focus is on the relations of production and the various "superstructural" conditions of its existence, i.e. politics, law, ideology. But all this remains on a very high level of abstraction—precisely what does Marxian materialism mean? Althusser's answer is highly instructive in this regard.

Far from elaborating a linear, homogeneous causality wherein the economic base is supposed to determine and exhaust the content of the political and ideological superstructures, Marx asserts the coextensiveness of human practices, i.e. the economic, political, and ideological elements of society.

Each level of the social formation possesses a certain measure of autonomy, a certain degree of efficacy (the power to produce an effect) relative to the others. What sense would it make to isolate the political sphere from the economic, productive relations which sustain it?

What sense would it make to speak of relations of production without reference to the political and legal conditions which reinforce them?

None, for Marx.

No sphere of human activity exists in a vacuum, each is limited, defined, "contradicted" by the determinations exerted by the other structural components. Politics, for example, does not exist in a pure form—political practice occurs within a particular structural configuration. In capitalist society, the economy is dominant only in the sense that the material productive forces and relations penetrate every other level. The mode of production thus constitutes the matrix in which the

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Stalin's policies led to a lot of creative photomontage

cal justifications given by Party leaders to legitimise such policies. However, confronted with the lunatic ravings of Neo-Stalinist fringe groups, it is not surprising that Marxist theory is the object of ridicule and distortion. In addition ampliative Marxian concepts might gain acceptance within academic circles were its various misconceptions and distortions shattered. But the goal of Marxian restoration will require careful scholarship over the next decade, just as it will take many more

these critical re-examinations at all can in part be traced to the apparent "orthodoxy" of his anti-Hegelianism, even though his stance was dictated by the results of Althusser's reading of Marx.

However, there was some indication of an increased willingness to encourage theoretical debate within the Party. With the publication of these essays and others in *For Marx* (1965), and *Reading Capital* (1968), the Althusserian legend grew alongside the controversy evoked

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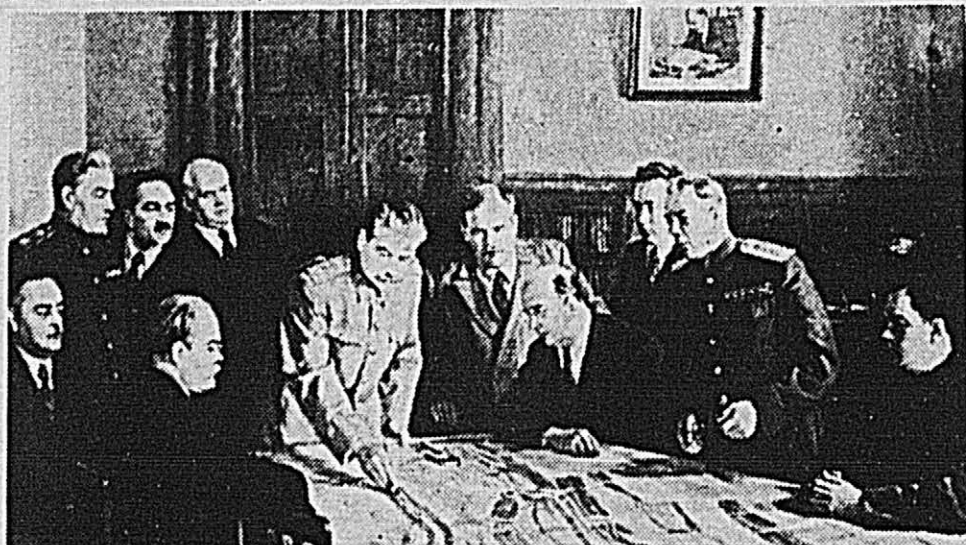
pattern of domination and subordination of the infrastructural (economic) and superstructural (political, ideological, legal) levels is to be realised.

In the capitalist mode of production, the regional economic structure inscribed in the global structure of the relations and forces of production is determinant in the last instance—"the economic base determines in the last instance which level is to occupy the dominant position." This Althusserian formulation of Marxian causality remains on the level of pure theory, however, and as an acute observer of European intellectual history, George Lichtheim, once remarked, fails to offer sufficient historical substantiation.

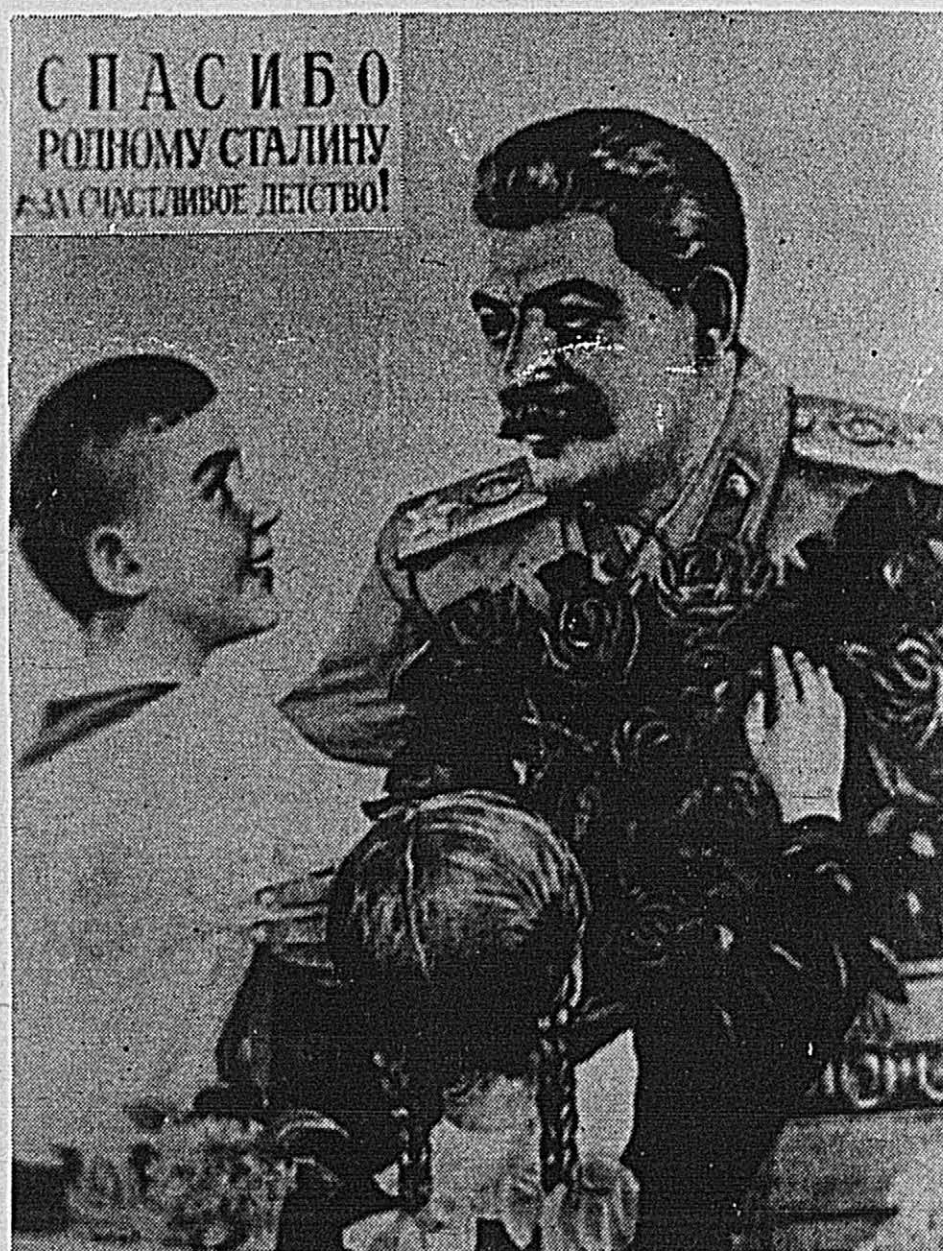
Where Marx was intent on analysing concrete historical promotions, such

analysis indicating an implicit theoretical standpoint, Althusser is intent on unveiling the hidden conceptual edifice within which Capital was conceived.

Althusser regards facts as so much chaff in the face of High Marxian Theory, producing the highly austere, metatheoretical exposition found in *Reading Capital*. It is clear that Althusser is trying to fill in many of the gaps left by Marx, particularly in the formulation of a unified theory of history. It is this attempt which should occupy our principal attention, for it provides the basis for further *Capitals*, for further totalling efforts along the lines of Lenin and Gramsci. In place of the excessive formalism and empirical oblivion of the Althusserian enterprise, what the fields of history, economics, and political science require today are extensions of the conceptual mastery Marx brought to the study of society.



Entitled "For the people's happiness", this painting shows the Politburo at work. The Stalinist "sclerosis" had set in.



Urban Issues

by Marc Cassini

Drapeau pulls "vulgar" move

The city is demanding that the Olympic Installations Board (OIB), an agency created by the provincial government, pay \$43 million in property and school taxes on Olympic facilities. Quebec Recreation Minister Claude Charron has responded that the PQ government will categorically refuse to meet the request, calling the move "a vulgar power play" by Drapeau.

Municipal officials have refused to say whether the \$43 million has been included by the city as revenue in its 1978-79 budget but Gerard Niding, chairperson of the MUC executive committee, has stated that Charron's position would not affect the city's revenue forecasts, presented last Thursday when the \$728 million budget was unveiled.

The OIB was created in 1975 to administer the faltering Olympic construction site when it was clear that the Drapeau administration could not ensure the completion of the facilities in time for the 1976 Games. The facilities will revert to the city in 1985.

Straitjacket budget means higher rents

A minor increase in the Olympic tax as well as valuation increases will raise tax bills for Montreal property owners (and, hence, their tenants) by 22%. There is no increase in the city's municipal tax rate. In tabling the city budget, Gerard Niding, chairperson of the executive committee, said that the administration tried to avoid increasing the required contribution from Montrealers. The \$728 million budget represents a \$43.5 million increase over last year.

At the root of the Olympic tax increase are the fluctuation of the interest rate on the city's \$214 million share of the Olympic deficit and the devaluation of the Canadian dollar.

Michael Fainstat, financial critic for the opposition Montreal Citizens Movement (MCM) condemned the budget as a strait-jacket budget. "It is a budget by an administration that cannot do anything for the people of Montreal. It is a budget of financial mediocrity, indicative of an administration which is incapable of acting because of previous financial irresponsibility. There is nothing in the budget to provide any tax relief," he said.

Fainstat added that 81% of the city's population who are tenants will feel the increases through increased rents because of significant hikes in valuations for duplexes and residential buildings of 11 units or fewer.

MCM councillor Thérèse Daviau-Bergeron remarked that "even with the budget kept the same size, there was still room within the sums available to improve the quality of life in Montreal. The allocation for urban renewal which remained at \$4 million, unchanged from last year, should have been increased, argued Daviau-Bergeron.

The budget will automatically be adopted on April 30 whether or not it is approved by council. Of the \$728 million forecasted, \$117 million is allocated for MUC services, up \$24.4 million from last year. Almost 40% of the budget, or \$285 million, is set for department services such as the public works and roads department services.

Suburbs aren't a rip-off

According to a study undertaken by l'Institut national de la recherche scientifique, people living in the suburbs but working in Montreal do not exploit the city by not paying Montreal taxes. "Even though suburbanites cost the city money for road maintenance and other services, they also generate certain revenues through valuation and sales and amusement taxes," notes the study. "The difference between what the suburbanites cost Montreal and what they generate in extra revenues is so small that we can't call it exploitation."

But the study points out that losses of revenue to the city could increase as Montreal loses population and the number of suburbanites living off the island and working here increases. It also concludes that the creation of the Montreal Urban Community has not improved Montreal's position within the island, but rather has helped keep it from falling behind the suburbs.

The study also discovered that there has been an increase in the total number of suburbanites coming to Montreal every day from 395,000 in 1970 to 430,000 in 1974.

Striking Radio-Mutuel employees call for support

Striking broadcasters at Radio-Mutuel have petitioned members of l'Union des artistes (UA) to join picket lines this June in front of CJMS, a Montreal radio station. Union spokesperson Marc Gilbert is confident that the UA will not hesitate to support their colleagues. "Last summer, the UA voted by a majority of 80% to respect our CJMS picket lines."

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utterly honest. "Peter" he said, "Morale is so low that we can do anything we want and nobody will protest." By God, he had insight.

But should we be so cynical? Why not? Everyone else is these days. Sure, there will be more cuts which will make recent losses little more than curbing the slush funds. There will be "retrenchment" although not a single Administrator will be seen selling pencils on Ste. Catherine. Never. They will crawl back into the musty woodwork which fathered them. The young will take the beating, the unpromoted and the untenured and, perhaps, the old folk; perhaps, too, some of the troublesome.

All our problems are "external." We have been told, ad nauseam, that everything would be sunshine and roses but for those horrible Outsiders. We could be a well-run University, so they tell us. And as philosophers debate, morale plunges a few more notches. Oh, to be at home and away from it all, deep in the folds of family and love.

Never before has the power of the Administration been greater. They have a free reign. They can be as lawless as they wish. And they are. Students, who have the potential of greatness, are beaten into silence by a world which does not need them. Oh, for a job, a job, and to get out of this place. Youth, life, is stilled, held in the icy claws of an anti-intellectualism and manipulated by autocrats who collect all the bread. For what?

Did you know that we had a VP in charge of Smoking, who orders how wide the margins must be on our letterhead? yes, we have him, a hormonal creature who is like a Jack-in-the-Box in Senate, a verbal gunslinger who thinks (?) after he talks, and who would love to have The Job. What a mess we are in. Who will deliver us from them? Will it be one of the Mandarins (second class) housed with such opulence in the cloister stalked by the ghost of an earlier autocrat? Will one of the Commissars get The Job? Perhaps that real cool planner? Or that urbane VP who counts votes by a slight of hand, the chap with the slightly rumpled look, the baggy pants but the greying hair (that Foreign Office look)? Is the six-footer in the running? Could it be another cigar-smoking Shaw? Or a Liberal Party reject? Who knows. A dark, dark horse?

But let those who now make The List remember that all those creatures have had their day. Be kind to them. Like cows who have done their bit, put them out to graze. What then do we need?

Integrity is the name of the game; open governance is the rule; consultation is the method, and democracy is the

total commitment. Nothing less will do. Let The Candidate sign a Pledge. He must reject "The McGill Way" because the Old Order is dead. Make your choice swear that they will never forget what makes this University great—the young, the teachers, the truly creative, the open-minded. Our candidate must declare war on the creeps, the manipulators, the stagnant, the PR crowd, the bigots, the brown-nosers. War on all those who betray all of us, those who do not fight for our rights, those who sleep in the same bed as the bosses. War on those who are secure but do not care for our younger colleagues whose future they have failed to protect whom they harass chasing them through the jungle of the new Regulations. We need to clean house.

Take that person who knows that reform begins from within. Above all, take that Mr or Ms who will put down their roots deep, very deep, into our fertile grassroots. It is there that true loyalty will be found, enthusiasm, ideas and creativity. We want to say that X is Our Candidate, not merely a puppet for characters unseen. Not some faceless creature to whom we are asked to give "your loyalty" at the first doublespeak pep talk in Leacock 132. We want a candidate who does not strangle us; who opens doors wide, wider and still wider; who knows the world and its horrors as well as its greatness; who will speak up against the forces of oppression, hate and bigotry. Somebody who cares. Oh, how we need that renaissance person, that really civilized man or woman. Take a person who has something to say, says it well and says it to all of us. No bloody pool player; and reject those who look like the armless of VPs at the Bank of Montreal; no white-shirter. Please, take a person who is exciting, of this world, and not some warmed-over corpse. If you must take a scientist (why not, they too are human), take one whose vision reaches beyond the lab. Take anyone who actually knows and feels what a Great University is—for that is what we can be. Take somebody who can put together a real "team at the top", whom we can trust; who will listen to us; who goes to plays with us; who can listen to music with us; who understands, perhaps, the Arts, the Humanities. Who will hear our cries when we are down?

Take a sensible person. Make it simple. Don't just weigh "the facts." Set aside all the silly and slimy politics. Look for the wisdom, the humanity, the brains. Reject those who want The Job. We could be an army behind your choice.

And what if you fail us? Must we predict that you will? No, you must not fail us. You are not very representative of all of us. But let that pass. If you fail, would you admit that much? What if you select a dull creature, an authoritarian who

knows what is good for us; a mere wizard in finance; a real administrator, a real planner? Well, if you do just that the result will be devastating. Morale will no longer be a problem because it will have vanished along with the greatness of the University. The person thus anointed would rule over a vast emptiness. Like the lunatic in the Central African Empire, the Principal could put the Crown on his own Head. The courtiers would dribble their effusive obedience and their demented smiles. That would be all. The scenario is as simple as that. Bless Us all.

Vive McGill Libre,
Peter C.W. Gutkind
Professor of Anthropology

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To the Daily:

I am furious. Undoubtedly the second most highly attended speaking event at McGill this year (after René Lévesque) was not given two words mention in the Daily of April 12th. I refer to Dr. John Lilly's appearance at McGill on Friday, April 7th. He spoke to Leacock 132 to over 600 people, of which approximately 200 were outsiders. The tickets to see him were sold out by Friday lunchtime; ads were placed on billboards all across campus; most Montreal newspapers

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Don't job-hunt in Yukon

by John Herbert

Canadian students who thought they could escape hot summers and high unemployment in the south this summer by heading for the Yukon for fame and fortune, will be disillusioned—there's no work to be found.

The government of the Yukon Territory is warning students to stay away from the territory, claiming its area is plagued with some of the worst unemployment levels in the country.

Mining in the territory has been hit with major layoffs because of depressed metal prices and automation. One recent mine closure left more than 300 people without work. "We'll be lucky to find jobs for Yukon students, let alone anyone from outside the territory," according to one employment ministry official.

Unemployment in the Yukon is part of a nationwide crisis which has seen more than a million Canadians, 8.7 per cent of the work force, without jobs.

And the heralded pipeline will do nothing to alleviate the problem. Despite federal government promises to electors, Yukon manpower minister Dan Lang said April 3 that jobs will be open to southerners in the territory when the preliminary construction starts in 1980.

Telephones:

Made for public or profit?

by Marc Cassini

In the eyes of consumers, Bell Canada is a coin swallower; for its shareholders, the corporation has been a gold mine. In the last eight years, the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) has granted Bell Canada 72% of the increases the firm has demanded. And Bell Canada is far from satiated. Again this year, Bell Canada is asking the CRTC for a 20 to 30% rate increase.

The CRTC has continually refused to examine Bell Canada's internal structure. Meanwhile, critics of the corporation, which has a virtual monopoly on telephone services in Québec and Ontario, have argued that internal expansion is in large measure responsible for the firm's increased expenses (and, of course, its need for more revenue). The creation of upper management positions at Bell has skyrocketed over the last few years for reasons which the CRTC has never attempted to discover.

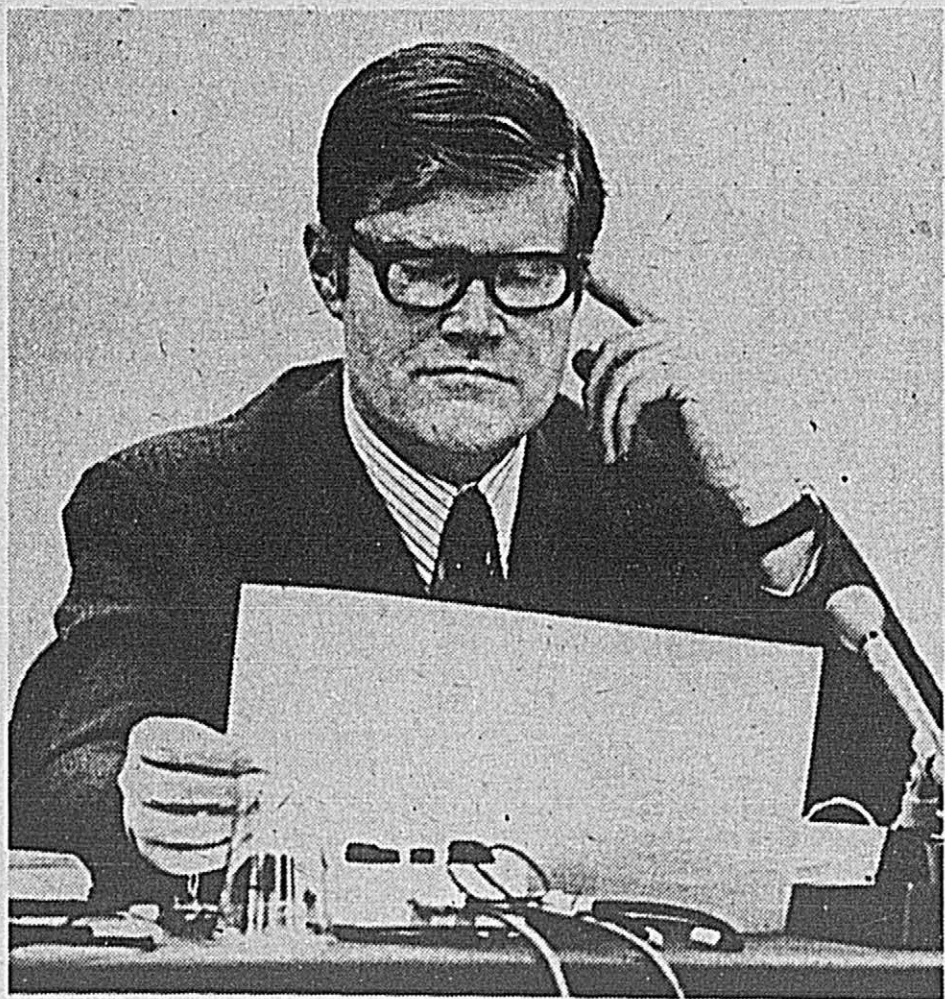
Unlike most other private enterprises, Bell Canada operating expenses have kept pace with increases in government expenditures. Between 1971 and 1976, the federal government's operating costs climbed by 116%. Those of the Québec government rose by 113% while Bell Canada's expenses more than doubled from \$185 million to \$375 million. If a crown corporation were

allowed to be so self-indulgent, the private sector would cry "scandal".

Company officials have attempted to pin these higher expenses on labour costs. But according to a study undertaken by A.E. Ames, a brokerage firm, Bell Canada enjoys a higher rate of worker productivity than any other telephone company in North America. Bell Canada employs 5.8 individuals per telephone while American Telephone and Telegraph (AT&T) and British Columbia Telephone (BCT) hire 6.2 and 8.9 respectively. Between 1967 and 1977, Bell Canada received an annual 7% increase in worker productivity, double the rate for the entire Canadian economy.

Bell Canada's employee productivity should continue to increase. Now that the firm is installing plug-in outlets for extension phones in residential dwellings, there will be less demand for company installers since consumers will be able to purchase the telephone of their choice in a *teleboutique* and install it themselves. Eventually, consumers will be able to bring their telephones with them on moving day, further reducing the need for company employees.

Another factor which the CRTC has refused to consider is the larger number of profit-producing Bell Canada affiliates. The most important sister firms—Northern Telecom, Telesat,



Bell Canada president James Thackray threatened to cancel telephone installations last year unless the CRTC granted the monopoly corporation an increase in rates. This year, Bell is asking for another increase, and Thackray should have more menace up his sleeve.



"Honest operator, I just put 87 dollars in change and . . ."

Dataroute, Bell International and Téléc—also clamoring for rate increases. All of these sister firms make sizeable profits which revert to the Big Sister—Bell Canada.

Bell is demanding the 30% rate increase in order to lift annual shareholder dividends (company profits) from 12 to 14.5%. Such an increase would attract much-needed new investment. But the effects of such an increase on its customers is not among Bell Canada's concerns.

In the majority of cases, the most disadvantaged members of our society are most in need of telephones: senior citizens, the disabled, welfare recipients, the unemployed and middle- and low-income earners. This is the sector of the population which is the most adversely affected by an increase in telephone rates.

The CRTC will have to choose between this sector of society and the voracity of Bell Canada's shareholders. The CRTC will be obliged to decide whether the telephone is a public service or a service designed exclusively for profit.

In justifying the need to raise dividends to 14.5%, Bell explains that, because of inflation, the present 12.5% shareholder profit is worth only 9%. The 2.5% increase would bring profits close to 12% which was the profit level established by the CRTC in 1972. Bell also complains that company profits in Saudi Arabia were down \$1 million last year because of an expansion and modernization of that country's telephone system. Bell Canada assumes that its Canadian customers must absorb the cost of the company's financial ventures. Critics maintain that shareholders should be the ones to bear

the brunt of such ventures. Bell expects its system in Saudi Arabia to generate \$500 million for each of the next years. It is doubtful that Bell Canada customers in Québec and Ontario will ever reap the benefits of these profits.

But in order to increase its profits in Canada, Bell is in a difficult position. Like all enterprises, it must either expand services by attracting new clientele, offer new services or simply raise telephone rates. Since Bell Canada already owns 68% of the country's telephones, herding in new customers is an unlikely prospect. Thus, Bell Canada has devoted much attention to promoting its new-fangled telephone models, encouraging customers to make long-distance calls and extolling the advantages of extension phones. These campaigns have met with considerable success. Canadians are the world's most prolific telephone users: in 1977, Canadians spent over \$1 billion in long-distance calls.

But even these profit-making devices have proved insufficient to meet Bell Canada's desires. Hence, the firm's most recent call for rate increases. Apart from its shareholders' demand to keep pace with inflation, Bell Canada justifies the increase by claiming it needs capital for construction and modernization programmes. In the past, rate increases enabled Bell Canada to sink almost \$15 million into Télésat for the development of direct intercontinental dialing. But the disadvantaged members of society rarely make overseas calls. Business people and large corporations, on the other hand, do.

Direct inter-continental dialing enabled Bell Canada to reduce the monthly cost of Trans Canada Telephone's Dataroute system from \$3515

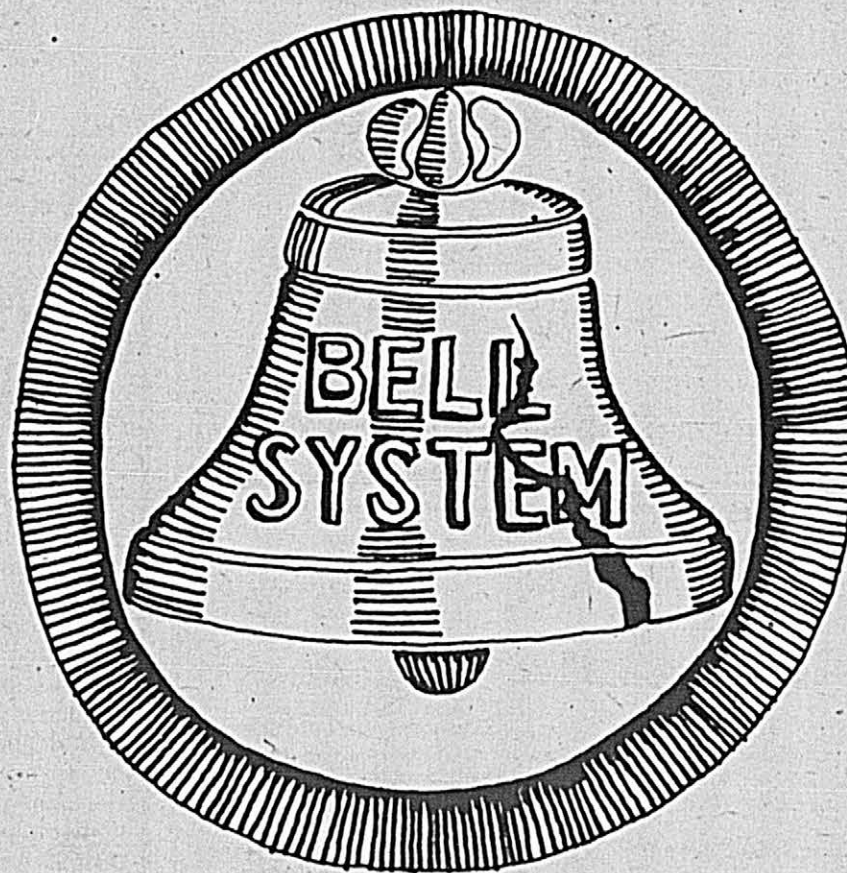
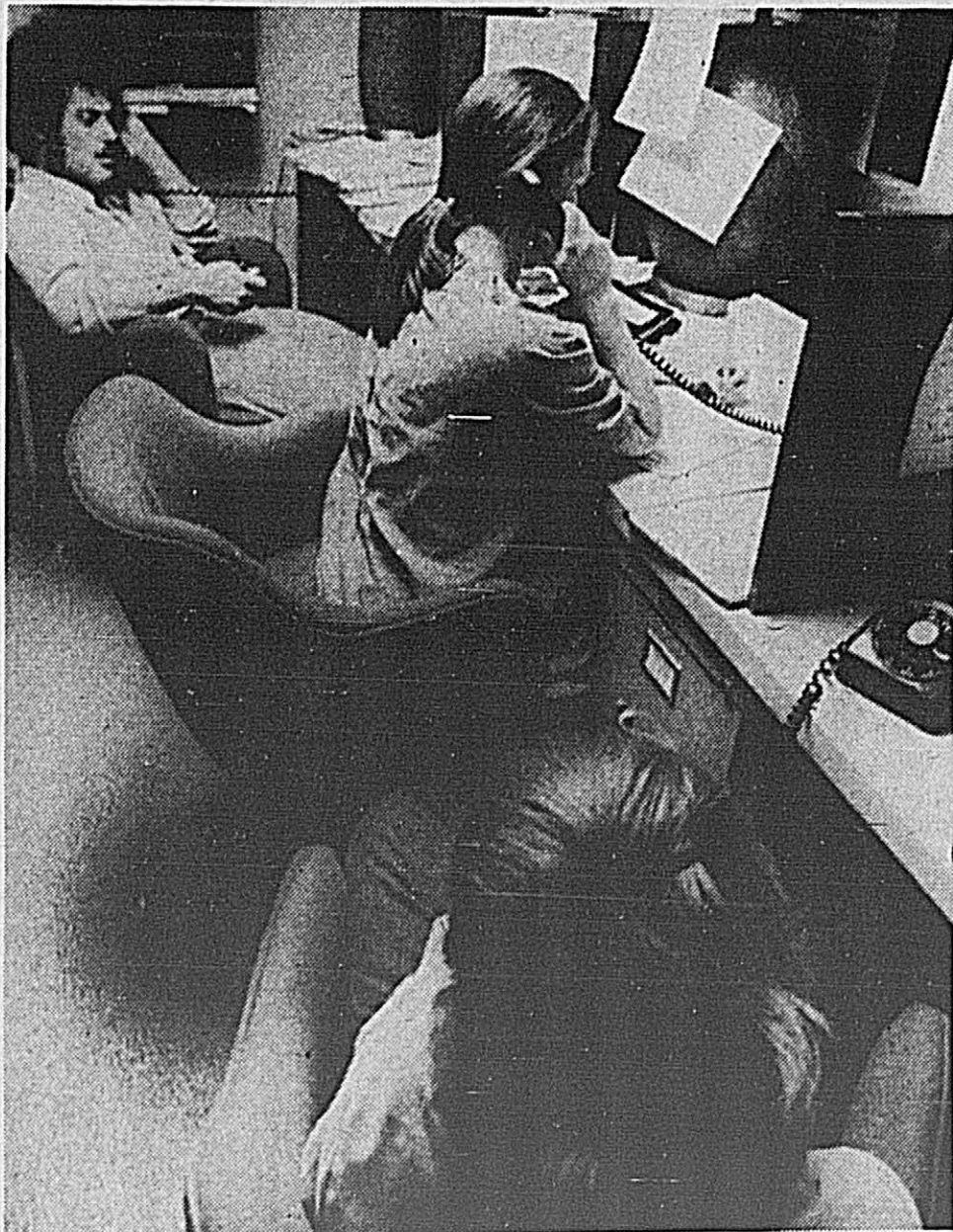
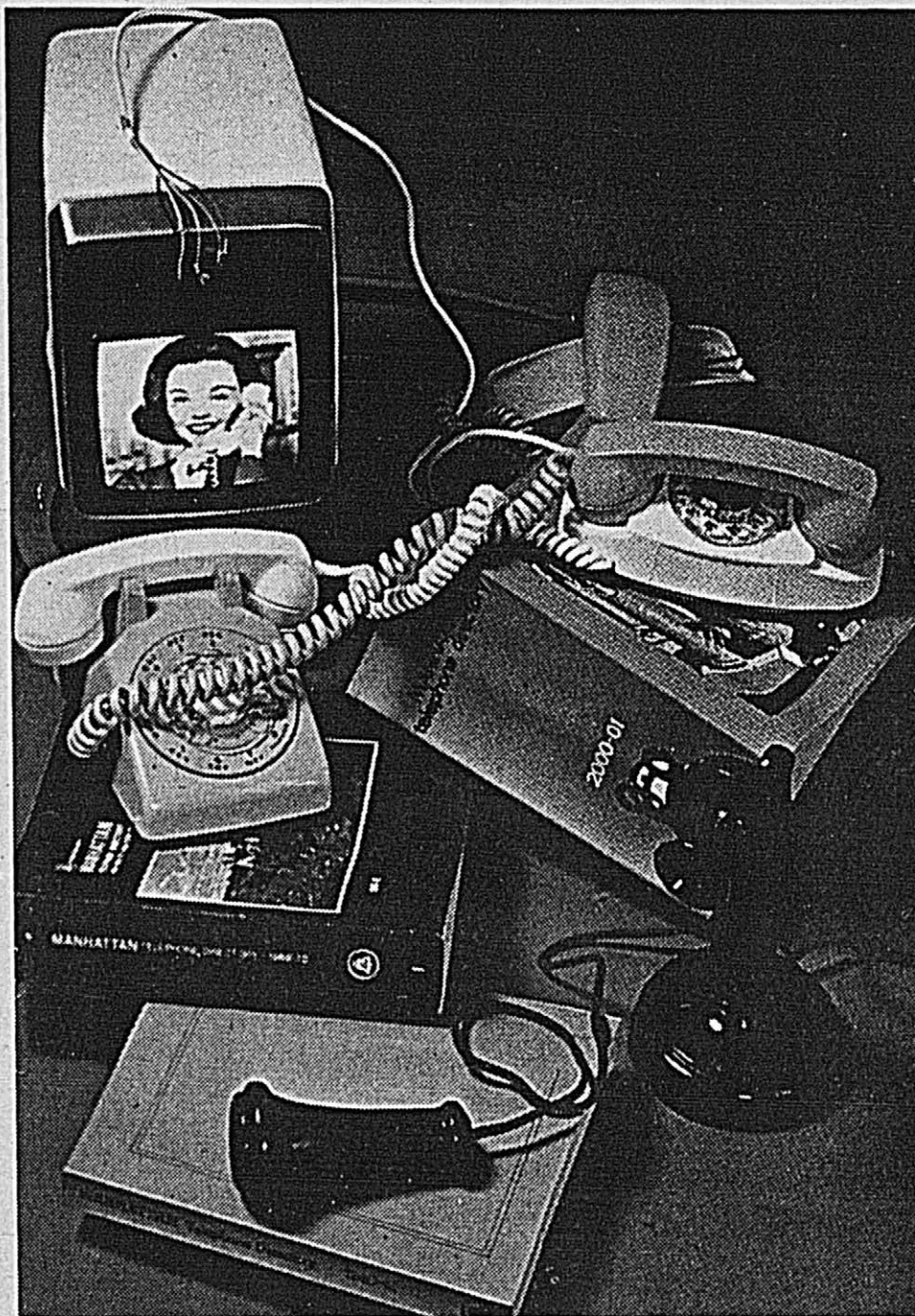
to \$375. It is important to note that this reduction made it cheaper for large corporations to conduct their business, thus increasing their profit margins.

Of course, Bell Canada had in past years been able to defray part of the cost of such projects through other means. For instance, Micro-Systems International, 60% of which is owned by Bell Canada, received annual government subsidies totalling \$47.5 million until 1976.

While telephone services in the rural areas of Québec remain unsatisfactory, Bell Canada affiliate Télébec, which serves the rural regions, has also filed for rate increases of between 15 and 30% with the Régie des services publics du Québec. Thus, customers living in St. Ours, Québec would pay \$11.23 monthly for a party-line telephone shared with four other subscribers if Télébec were granted the increase. While the high echelons of Bell Canada are into inter-galactic communication, private telephones in this Québec City suburb are approximately two or three years away from realization.

At this time last year, Bell Canada president J.C. Thackray was threatening to cancel telephone installations unless the CRTC gave in to rate increase demands. Critics are suggesting that Bell Canada customers should refuse to pay one monthly telephone bill if the increase is granted.

It's a reasonable suggestion. As of December 31, 1976, there were 5.8 million Bell Canada telephones in use in Québec and Ontario. If all of these subscribers withheld one month's telephone bill, Bell Canada would be left with about a \$14.5 million tab. Such a move might silence Bell Canada shareholders and force them to listen to their clientele.



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been written on this topic alone, forming the basis for all sorts of conjectural rhetoric, the deification and worship of political secular messiahs with its concomitant violence and murder, without ever shedding much light. The fault is at the base of capitalism, "the power to get without giving, embodied in property (that is, unimproved land as a salable commodity) and privilege (monopoly via the money system)." The fault is further exacerbated by a human failing in regarding governments as necessary and infallible and allowing them the power of taxation, which is grossly abused in attempting to offset, for a time, the inevitable consequences of capitalism in order to placate the victims who become restive, and of course, to garner votes.

The brief outline I have presented here is something I don't expect the average university-bred reader to comprehend. Academic brainwashing is not something one can overcome in one sitting. I work with a different brand of semantics, one that attempts to analyse the way in which words are used to distort reality, the use of labels with emotional connotations designed to serve someone's own ends. It would serve no useful purpose for me to explain why all of mankind's favorite "isms" work for a while, then fizzle out. You already know that from history. The artifacts of vanished civilizations have been unearthed and lend credence to the theory that somehow we've been through all of this before, but never, as today, to the point of actual extinction—the technologies of our forebearers were not that far advanced.

Today's narrow provincialisms and secular messianism, combined with advanced physics and genetics, are a very deadly mix indeed. The greatest sin of man must lie with the academics who have failed to comprehend what is becoming of humanity at this late stage, or, having so learned, have offered no active guidance. It is a sad comment on the state of academia that even its supposedly "crowning achievement," the healing arts, has become preoccupied with the blacker art of money-grabbing and phony status-seeking at the expense of the ill and helpless.

For these, graduation has no significance beyond an exercise in futility, for a scrap of parchment on the wall. We who are about to die, of your neglect and lack of humanity, salute you.
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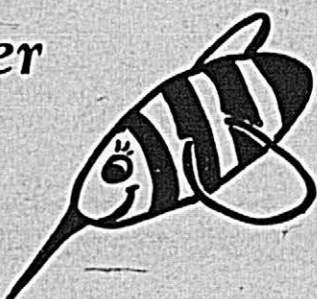
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Letters...

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mentioned it in the Events section as well as major Montreal radio stations—even the Daily carried ads for it. Yet not one Daily reporter bothered to attend.

As a member of the group responsible for Dr. Lilly's appearance, I feel even more deeply the lack of prominence given this event in the Daily. No one is going to persuade me that an event which attracted over 400 McGill students isn't of interest enough to the average student to justify Daily coverage. The Daily has been faulted more than once for their lack of campus coverage, and they don't seem to have done much about it—but this is the limit!

Jennifer Butt
McGill Debating Union

Tenure...

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provides protection against lay-off in case of financial exigency."

Stressing that tenure is not the same thing as seniority, the report recommends that in the face of budget cutbacks, other criteria than tenure be negotiated between the faculty association and administration.

If the university administration is forced to cut back on faculty, the Rosenbluth report raises important questions for the future quality of education at McGill. As the university's tenure regulations now stand, it is far easier for the administration to layoff the younger, untenured professors than tenured professors, regardless of their respective abilities.

Cuts...

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In lining themselves up for jobs in the (provincial) Liberal government," one organizer explained.

The step for students is unclear, but SOEC organizers will confront the next council meeting April 17 with proposals.

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